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October 11, 2013

Acting Chairman Clyburn
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC, 20554

In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors,
CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45

Dear Chairman Clyburn:

On behalf of the East Helena Public Schools, and the schools in Montana that I represent as a member of the AASA Governing Board, I write today to urge you to appoint Dr. Daniel A. Domenech to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) Board of Directors. We were pleased to support Dr. Domenech in his initial nomination in 2012, and we look forward to his continued leadership with USAC. We welcome the opportunity to submit this letter of support.

Dr. Domenech currently serves as the Executive Director of the American Association of School Administrators (AASA), the national professional organization representing chief executive officers, superintendents and senior level school administrators as well as cabinet members, professors and aspiring school system leaders. Dr. Domenech has more than 40 years of experience in public education, including 27 years served as a school superintendent. His education and leadership background would be a tremendous asset to the Board and entire universal service program. Further, his direct link to public school systems provides a sense of continuity when it comes to representing school system-level thoughts and opinions. Dr. Domenech's leadership at AASA—and AASA's proven track record as an excellent advocate for the E-Rate program—make us confident that he will be a strong addition to the USAC Board.

As the Executive Director for AASA, Dr. Domenech is deeply committed to supporting the total child, from physical and mental health to the development of fundamental, lifelong learning skills. In today's increasingly global and competitive world, a top notch education and the building of lifelong learning skills require access to education technology, and Dr. Domenech is acutely aware of the crucial role the E-Rate program plays in helping schools and libraries afford telecommunications connectivity.

Beyond his years in the classroom, which include extensive teaching and leadership experience, Dr. Domenech has served on the U.S. Department of Education's National Assessment Governing Board, on the advisory board for the Department of Defense schools,

and on the Board of Overseers for the Baldrige Award. He is currently chair for Communities in Schools of Virginia, the Learning First Alliance, the Educational Research Service and the Board of Visitors for the College of Education at the University of West Georgia. He serves on the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, the National Student Clearinghouse, Americas Promise, the Center for Naval Analyses, and the Sea Research Foundation.

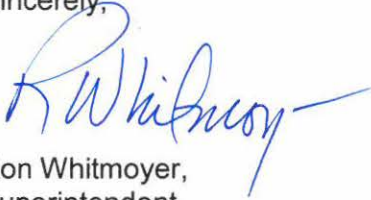
We believe that Dr. Domenech's broad understanding of education, education leadership and education technology, coupled with a strong work ethic and deep commitment to expanding educational opportunities to the nation's students will add to the work of USAC as it moves forward. His nomination to the USAC board provides continuity and leadership, allowing him to continue in a role he has held over the past year, representing the voice of school administrator/superintendent.

For these reasons, I respectfully request your approval of Dr. Domenech's nomination to the USAC Board of directors, representing schools that are eligible to receive discounts.

If you have any questions, please call or email me at rwhitmoyer@ehps.k12.mt.us.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "R Whitmoyer", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ron Whitmoyer,
Superintendent